

VERDUN FRONT BENT

French Line, Straightened by Evacuation of Bethincourt Salient, Was Thrust Back Over a Distance of 500 Yards in a Tremendous Charge

OPERATION COVERED A 13-MILE FRONT

Fight for Possession of Dead Man's Hill Was Redoubled After French Evacuated Bethincourt Salient Saturday Night—The Germans Gain East of Meuse

Paris, April 10.—The Germans continued their attacks last night in the Verdun region east and west of the Meuse over a front thirteen miles long from Hill No. 304 to Fort Douaumont. The war office announced this afternoon: "In the fighting west of the river for possession of Dead Man's Hill the Germans were repulsed except on a front of 500 yards near Hill 295. East of the river the German assault gained no appreciable results."

Bethincourt Salient Evacuated by French

The French evacuated the Bethincourt salient Saturday night and the Germans on Sunday attacked with great violence their new line from Avocourt to Cumieres but were repulsed with sanguinary losses. At one point, northeast of Avocourt, the Germans succeeded in entering the French trenches and from this position they were immediately ejected through a counter-attack, according to the French official communication issued last night. The communication stated: "In the Argonne our artillery concentrated its fire on the enemy's communications. Our heavy batteries during these operations shelled a sector in the neighborhood where important troop gatherings and columns on the march were observed in the region of Montfaucon and Nantillois. Near Hill 285 we exploded a mine which crumbled the enemy strength for a considerable length and destroyed a small post."

"To the west of the Meuse a violent battle which lasted the entire day was engaged on the whole of the front from Avocourt to Cumieres and even spread to the eastern bank of the river. "The premature evacuation of the Bethincourt salient which was carried out last night has enabled us to establish a continuous line, beginning at the Avocourt corner and running along the first woody slopes to the west of Hill 304, then along the southern bank of the Forges brook to the northwest of Hancourt, and reaching our positions a little to the south of the crossing of the roads of Bethincourt-Esnes and Bethincourt-Chattancourt."

"The whole line was violently attacked by the enemy, but withstood the fiercest onslaught. "On the front of Le Mort Homme Cumieres the German attack met with a sanguinary setback. The attacking columns which debouched in close formation from the Cumieres wood were caught under the fire of our machine guns and artillery and dispersed, leaving behind hundreds of bodies on the ground. "All attempts against Le Mort Homme were also repulsed with heavy losses. "A simultaneous offensive movement against our positions between the Avocourt wood and the Forges brook met with fierce resistance on the part of our troops which everywhere repulsed the enemy. Finally, the enemy through an attack against one of our works to the northeast of Avocourt at the southern outskirts of the wood succeeded momentarily in gaining a foothold in our trenches, but were thrown out at once through a counter-attack."

"To the east of the Meuse the enemy artillery was very active against our organizations at the Cot Du Poivre and in the region of Douaumont-Vaux as well as on the whole of our second line. Kept in check by our curtain of fire the infantry attackers were unable to debouch. "In the Woivre there has been an intermittent bombardment."

AUSTRIA PREPARES HEAVY ATTACK ON ITALIANS

Said to Be Removing Troops from Rumania Border and Sending Quantities of Munitions from the Interior Empire.

Rome, via Paris, April 10.—The Austrians are preparing for an offensive on a large scale along the whole Italian front, according to dispatches received here, which state that this action was decided on at a recent conference between Archduke Eugene and the other Austrian commanders. Strong bodies of troops have been withdrawn from the Rumania border and quantities of munitions are being sent from the interior empire. The Italian military chiefs, the dispatches say, have made all preparations to break the offensive and force the Austrians back on the defensive.

EXPLAINS FRENCH "TREACHERY."

Germans Say Prisoners Took Up Arms Again and Attacked.

Berlin, April 10, by wireless to Sayville.—An explanation of a clause in Saturday's German official statement regarding the capture of Termien hill on the Verdun front, by the Germans, in which it was said that the losses of the French were very heavy, "owing partly to the treacherous behavior of some," is supplied by the Overseas New agency in an item given out for publication, which says:

"It is reported from the front that the storming of Termien hill is considered to have been a classical example of perfect co-operation between the infantry and the artillery. Therefore the German losses were exceedingly small while the French met with losses which were appalling."

"The French losses were further increased because French troops who had been overrun by the German infantry in its storm attack and who had disposed of their arms and raised their hands in token of surrender afterwards took up their arms again and attacked the Germans from behind. These treacherous troops were all killed in combat by embittered German soldiers."

ANOTHER ATTEMPT TO FREE BRITISH

Statement in London Says That Next Attack Will Be Delivered at Sannayatt, on the Tigris.

London, April 10.—Preparations are well under way for the next British attack in an attempt to relieve the army surrounded by Turks at Kut-el-Amara, Mesopotamia. This attack is to be made, according to the British plans, against Sannayatt, on the Tigris, a short distance above Felahie, which was recently won from the Turks. Improved weather and a cessation of the rise in the Tigris are reported to be making conditions more favorable for the continuance of operations.

BREAK IS EXPECTED.

In the Austro-Hungarian Cabinet, is Reported in London.

London, April 10.—A dispatch to the Morning Post from Budapest, says: Count Tisza, the Hungarian premier, and Baron Burian, the Austrian foreign minister, are expected to resign. The Tisza government is expected to fall owing to the opposition of Austria-Hungary and Turkey to the proposed German plan of establishing a customs union and economic federation between the central powers and their allies.

"According to reports in Budapest, Count Tisza has already been summoned to the royal palace and informed bluntly by Emperor Francis Joseph that he would be dropped unless he consented to the scheme for a customs union. It is said that Count Tisza stubbornly refused to budge, and it is expected that when the ministry falls he will take up the leadership of the opposition to any ministry supporting the customs union project."

GERMANY'S NOTE TO BE RECEIVED BY GERARD

Statement Dealing with the Sussex Case Expected To Be Delivered at Once—Von Bernstorff Made Date with Lansing.

Washington, D. C., April 10.—Secretary of State Lansing announced today that Ambassador Gerard had called that the German foreign office informed him it would hand him a note on the Sussex case probably today. Count Von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, will confer with Secretary Lansing this afternoon. The ambassador made the appointment. A preliminary statement handed to Ambassador Gerard by the Berlin foreign office is understood to be on the way here by cable.

RISE OF GASOLINE REPORTED ON

But Federal Commission Did Not Draw Any Conclusion in Preliminary Report Submitted to Congress.

Washington, D. C., April 10.—The federal trade commission today presented to Congress a preliminary report on its investigation of the rise in the price of gasoline. The report carries with it a mass of statistics on production and prices, but draws no conclusion as to the cause of the increased price.

THREE FEARFUL LEAPS.

Woman Is Dying from Wounds Received in Last.

Providence, R. I., April 10.—In the Rhode Island hospital Miss Zona Macinliska, 30, a native of Austria, is dying from injuries she received early yesterday when she jumped from three-story windows in the north end of this city and from the effects of exposure which she suffered in walking barefoot and insufficiently clothed through the snow-covered streets. The motive of the woman's act is not known. She sustained a fracture of the skull in the last of the three jumps and has been unconscious most of the time since. The police say that they have found that she was an inmate of a state hospital in 1911 and that later she was deported.

STRIKE AT LAWRENCE.

250 Mill Employees Left Their Work Today.

Lawrence, Mass., April 10.—Two hundred employees in the finishing department of the Arlington mills and 50 male spinners at the Pacific mills struck today, asking increased wages. The Pacific mills manufacture cotton goods and the Arlington both worsted and cotton.

TOLEDO STRIKE ENDED.

Men Given Three Cents More an Hour; May Not Wear Union Buttons.

Toledo, O., April 10.—The Toledo street car strike was ended last night. The men were given an increase in wages of three cents an hour, but they will not be permitted to wear union buttons and the open shop rule will prevail.

ENCOURAGING REPORT SENT BY PERSHING

He Had a Very Satisfactory Conference with General Herrera and Expected to Meet General Gutierrez To-day to Discuss Mexican Situation

LATTER PROMISED TO RENDER AID

Pershing's Report Also Confirms the Report That Villa Was Wounded Severely in the Right Knee—Secretary Baker Gives Out Statement

Washington, D. C., April 10.—Overnight dispatches from Funston to the war department, made public today by Secretary Baker, were summarized in the following statement:

"The latest dispatch from Pershing, dated April 8, explains the infrequency of communication by saying that the wireless was not able to work and aeroplane communication was difficult because of the lack of suitable landing places. The dispatch again confirmed the early report that Villa was severely wounded in the right knee. Pershing reports he has had a very satisfactory conference with General Herrera and expects today to meet General Gutierrez, to whom he sent messages by aeroplane to Chihuahua and received replies offering full co-operation. Pershing's comment is that every indication shows a desire by the troops of the de facto government to aid to the extent of their ability."

VILLA IS HEADED FOR DURANGO CITY

He is Said to Be Accompanied By 200 Men and He Has a Full Day's Start of His Pursuers.

El Paso, Tex., April 10.—In his flight from the American cavalry, Villa is believed today to have passed Parral and with his band, said to number over 200 men, is reported to be heading for Durango City. Mexican reports state that Villa has a full day's start of his pursuers. If he succeeds in reaching Durango City, he probably will be joined by the forces of the Arrieta brothers, who command more than 1,000 men.

NO CONFIRMATION OF "DEAD LINE" IN MEXICO

Both Secretaries Lansing and Baker Refused to Make Statement Regarding Rumored Agreement.

Washington, D. C., April 10.—Secretaries Lansing and Baker both declined to comment today on the border reports that an agreement between Washington and the Carranza government had fixed a dead line, beyond which the American troops would not go in pursuit of the Villa bandits.

RIOT ON BORDER.

One American Soldier Killed by Texas Ranger.

Del Rio, Tex., April 10.—Private John Wade of company 24th infantry, a negro regiment, was killed here late Saturday night, when two rangers and Sheriff Almont attempted to arrest 16 negro soldiers who had created a disturbance in a house in the restricted district.

Three negroes are said to have attacked the officers while the latter were taking them to jail. Wade jumped on Ranger Barler, pressed him to the ground and clubbed him on the head with the butt of his revolver. Barler drew his pistol and fired over his shoulder. Wade was killed.

Protests against the presence of the negro soldiers and requests for their removal were being prepared yesterday to be sent to the war department.

A portion of the 24th infantry has been stationed here for three weeks.

A coroner's jury last night returned a verdict that Wade was killed by Ranger Barler, who was acting in self-defense and in the discharge of his duties.

Testimony was given at the inquest to the effect that the negroes, after being refused admittance to a house in the restricted district, returned later, armed, and raided the place, shooting out all the windows.

Several soldiers escaped when the officers arrived and ran in another direction, according to the sheriff. He said a group of these encountered a Mexican deputy sheriff and ordered him to hold up his hands while one took away his pistol. "Shall we kill him?" one was quoted as saying.

"No," was the reported reply: "we're only after the white folks."

The soldiers were taken back to the camp after the episode, where they were held under guard pending an investigation. It was said today that all the 16 soldiers were private.

GIVEN USE OF TELEGRAPH.

Americans Gain Concession from Carranza Authorities.

San Antonio, Tex., April 10.—The Mexican military authorities have offered

the American punitive expedition the use of Mexican telegraph and telephone lines, according to General Pershing's report to General Funston yesterday. The offer was made to the aviators who landed in Chihuahua last week.

General Pershing's report did not pass over the telegraph lines, however, but was transmitted via aeroplane and wireless routes to Columbus. The report was sent from some part of the field of operations, the locality of which was withheld here.

The drivers of the aeroplanes that visited Chihuahua said they had been treated courteously by General Gutierrez, the commanding officer at Chihuahua, after it was demonstrated that they had come on a friendly mission, although before that fact was determined by the armed patrols who were on guard every where and a shot or two fired. No one was injured.

General Pershing said some supplies had been purchased at Chihuahua and that there appeared no disposition on the part of those with stores to withhold their goods, but that the limited amount of supplies at Chihuahua at present made it almost impossible to get provisions.

MORE TROOPS FOR EL PASO.

Two Infantry Battalions Were Sent from Fort Bliss.

El Paso, Tex., April 10.—Local officials in El Paso made representations yesterday to the military authorities and two infantry battalions were sent from Fort Bliss last night to act as reserves to the patrols who are on guard every night in the principal streets here. The police officials said they fear trouble with Mexicans in Juarez.

The one real basis for any apprehension here that is discoverable is the fact that a number of Villistas and other representatives of the anti-American faction in Mexico are spreading the wildest reports among the peons and soldiers in Juarez in the hope of causing an outbreak. Juarez is seething with the worst stories of the hostile intentions of the Americans and rumors of great victories over the United States soldiers won by Villa. The Carranza officials are doing their best to suppress these stories.

That the alarmists are not receiving much credence among the American refugees here is evidenced by the fact that a number of the latter have already returned to Mexico and others are preparing to do so.

BRAZILIAN STEAMER DISABLED.

The Guajara Is Being Towed Into American Port.

Norfolk, Va., April 10.—The Brazilian steamer Guajara, with passengers and freight from Rio for New York is believed to be nearing Cape Henry in tow of the United Fruit steamer Sixola, which went to her assistance early yesterday off Cape Hatteras. The Guajara was reported to be badly disabled but the cause was not reported.

Only one message wireless message was received from the Sixola yesterday and this reported that she had the Guajara in tow 300 miles south of Scotland light and expected to take off her passengers as soon as the sea moderated. The message, though it did not say definitely, indicated that the Guajara had been in collision with some vessel.

The coast guard cutter Onondaga, which had been cruising off the Virginia capes, started for the crippled steamer early yesterday. Wireless stations along the coast had not been able to establish communication with her late last night. Neither were they able to get into touch again with the Guajara and her convoy. From a private wireless message sent by one of the Sixola's passengers it appears that the Guajara summoned help by the use of her search light, signaling in the Morse code that she had 14 feet of water in her hold.

TAKES RUTLAND POSITION.

Edward S. Abbott, Who Resigned As Montpelier Principal.

Rutland, April 10.—Edward S. Abbott, who has been principal of Montpelier high school since 1909, when he graduated from the University of Vermont, has been elected principal of Rutland high school to succeed Isaac Thomas. Mr. Thomas has not yet announced his plans for next fall when Mr. Abbott takes up his new duties. Principal Thomas has been here for seven years, having for a long time previous to that been at the head of Burlington high school. He is a graduate of Yale university. He succeeded here Samuel H. Erskine, who is now superintendent of the Rochester district.

CHILD'S LIFE ENDANGERED.

Found Some Pills in Waste Basket and Swallowed Them.

St. Albans, April 10.—The ten-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Larry narrowly escaped death Saturday when he ate some tablets which he found in a waste paper basket. Doctors E. A. Hyatt and John Gibson worked over the child several hours before he was out of danger. The baby was creeping on the floor of the office of the Park View house, where the family live, and pulled the basket over and in rummaging among the papers found some tablets, for use in case of colds. The tablets affected the heart severely. The condition of the child is improving.

ENGINE WENT DOWN BANK.

Cars Bobbed Along Ties and 16 People Were Hurt.

Waterbury, Conn., April 10.—Sixteen persons were injured, none seriously, when a southbound accommodation passenger train from Winsted to New Haven on the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad was derailed at Jericho siding, six miles north of Waterbury, yesterday. The accident was caused, according to the railroad's statement, by a half thrown switch on a curve.

The engineer saw the switch half open and applied the airbrakes, but it was too late. The engine bumped over the rails for about 400 feet and then toppled down a slight embankment, followed by the baggage car. The two coaches immediately following were partly derailed, but the last two cars remained on the track. The passengers were thrown about in the coaches, but most of the injuries consisted of cuts and abrasions.

TEUTON "SUBS" DESTROY FOUR

Three of the British Vessels Known to Have Been Unarmed

THREE MEN MISSING FROM ONE VESSEL

German Submarine Activity Is Continued with Effectiveness

London, April 10.—The sinking of four more British steamships was reported today. At least three of them were unarmed. Lloyd's announced the sinking of the Zafra, the Glenalmond and the Silksworth hall. A Reuter dispatch from Malta tells of the sinking of the Yonne, formerly named the Kastalia. Three men are missing from the Silksworth Hall. The crews of the other vessels were saved.

The latest available report announced the Zafra as having touched at Newport News on March 11, en route from Puerto Padre, Cuba, for Queenstown. The Silksworth Hall was last reported at Gibraltar on March 6, en route to Hull. The Glenalmond arrived in Lisbon March 13 from Rangoon, Burma. The Yonne was last reported leaving Glasgow on March 9 for Hampton Roads.

Other Ships Sunk.

Lloyd's announced yesterday the destruction of the British steamers Adamton, 2,304 tons, and Avon, 670 tons. No details are given.

The Danish steamer Asger Ryg has been sighted south of the Isle of Wight in a badly damaged condition. It is supposed that she has been torpedoed. She is a steamer of 1,101 tons, built in 1902, and owned in Copenhagen.

A dispatch from Malta yesterday said that one engineer and eight lascars of the crew of the steamship Chantala were killed when the vessel was sunk by a submarine. Ninety-two survivors were rescued and landed here. They declare they had no warning of the impending attack.

The sinking of the Chantala, a vessel of 4,994 tons gross, which sailed from London March 10 for Calcutta, was reported Saturday.

The British steamship Eastern City of 4,300 tons is reported sunk. According to information at Lloyd's the vessel was unarmed.

DR. WAITE'S PLEA IS NOT GUILTY OF MURDER

However, His Counsel Reserved the Right to Change the Plea of the Self-Confessed Slayer of His Father-in-Law.

New York, April 10.—Dr. Arthur Warren Waite, who has confessed to poisoning his father-in-law, John E. Peck, a millionaire drug manufacturer of Grand Rapids, Mich., entered through his counsel today a plea of not guilty when arraigned on an indictment charging murder in the first degree. His counsel, however, reserved the right to change the plea within 10 days.

Dr. Waite was examined at Bellevue hospital yesterday by three alienists, who were designated by District Attorney Swann.

FOUND IN ST. JOHNSBURY.

Woman for Whom Search Had Been Made Two Days.

St. Johnsbury, April 10.—Officers late Saturday night found Mrs. Fred Hill, St. Johnsbury Center woman who had been missing since Thursday and whose relatives feared that she had come to harm. She was found in St. Johnsbury, suffering from a complete nervous breakdown. The woman is being cared for.

NO; NOT A WORD.

Roosevelt Wouldn't Talk Politics While in Boston.

Boston, April 10.—Former President Roosevelt, who came here yesterday to attend a meeting at Harvard university, of which he is an overseer, gave out a brief statement last night, declaring that his visit had no connection with politics. "I will not say one word about politics while I am in Boston," said Col. Roosevelt. "I am a single man actively interested in politics. My visit is only to see my sons, and go to the Harvard overseers meeting."

EAST MONTPELIER.

The regular grange meeting last Wednesday evening opened in form, and then went into open session for the purpose of bringing together the new county agricultural agent, F. H. Abbott, and the people of this section. Mr. Abbott was accompanied to this place by F. G. Howland of Barre and Jay Corryell of Burlington, supervisor of county agents for the state. All three men spoke and their remarks were listened to attentively. Only about 50 people attended the meeting because of the bad traveling and because in this section suffering was claiming the attention of the farmers. After the meeting, refreshments of sugar on snow, with all the "fixins," were served and the new work to be done in Washington county started off with enthusiasm. When the traveling is improved and spring work is not so pressing, it is probable another meeting will be held here, that more may become acquainted with the proposed plans.

PASTOR'S RETIRING WORD

Was to Hedding Congregation to Give Loyal Support.

"The Backward and the Forward Look" was the topic of the farewell sermon preached in the Hedding Methodist church Sunday morning by Rev. E. F. Newell, who expects to be transferred within a few days to the Springfield, Mass., or Lynn, Mass., district, subject to the decision of the bishop. His successor in the Barre pastorate, Rev. B. G. Lipsky of Gorham, Me., is expected to arrive in the city Thursday. A large congregation assembled yesterday to hear the retiring pastor in his valedictory message.

Rev. Mr. Newell took his text from Exodus, 33d chapter, 14th verse. "And he said, My presence shall go with thee and I will give thee rest." A brief introduction was given, comparing the presence of God with Moses in his leading of the children of Israel to the promised presence with his people today. Then followed an exposition of the text with the several points well illustrated. The sermon is given in part as follows:

"God's presence is everywhere, in the simplest form of nature as in the more marvelous combinations. But there is a more special presence of God known only to His church. This was the presence felt by the children of Israel when there was ever the cloudy pillar by day and the fiery pillar by night beckoning them toward their Canaan. In after ages God's presence was with His church at Jerusalem and later with the early apostles. So it is now and ever will be till time shall be no longer reckoned. This presence is best known by the close followers of Him and is recognized by what it can accomplish for men."

"The purpose of this power of God's presence is to be man's monitor and guide. The greatest of men from Moses down to the great men of today have been those who have yielded to this power and God will continue guiding every trusting soul through the difficult pathways of life till the perfect Canaan of heaven is reached."

"God never fails in His promises. 'And I will give thee rest.' Not only a quiet settlement after the wars in the Canaan land were over, but this promise meant perfect rest, tranquility of mind and soul, because of a sense of pardon from sin, of deliverance from sinning in this life and then eternal rest with God, where the soul ever looks toward the rising, not the setting, of the sun! Prayer brought this promised blessing. The prayer of Moses brought the presence of God to his people. Prayer has brought from heaven blessings of every kind; prayer has defeated sin, robbed hell and peopled heaven with saints; prayer has furnished the presence of God to men and has led them on to holy things, to noble, God-like living, to sainthood linked with the glory of angels!"

"Moses was a great leader, but it was not for him to reap the results of his leadership. His work was passed on to another, but before he left his task this great-souled hero poured out his heart in prayer for his people and also for the new leader who was to take his place. Few, very few, have been spiritual leaders like unto Moses and Joshua in ability, in character, in obedience to God and in the splendid results achieved. The lesson, however, that we wish to draw today is that there is a similarity in this respect, that churches change their pastors at times and we believe it is often for the best good of all concerned. No one man sees all accomplished that he desires to see in any church that he works and prays for; no one man can satisfy all the people. Even a Moses failed to do that with all, for there were those who ever continued to criticize and to murmur. If a pastor is what he ought to be he is glad to see some Joshua succeed him who may lead on the people to a Canaan of success. But to do this there is need not only for a chosen Joshua, but the people must be united in their work under him, they must have faith in their leader and be ready to follow him; and, most important of all, they must be willing to obey God. Many a modern man in the pulpit has met with marked success because his congregation has helped to lift the church on to success."

"Did you ever think that you can help to make your preacher whatever you please? If you discourage him by lack of interest, if you fail to do your part, if you are not loyal to the church, your preacher may have a pessimistic note in what he says; if, however, you stand with him and help him on in every possible way, he will be encouraged to give you of his best. Stand by him, then, not only financially, but with your prayers and with your talents, striking hands together as you follow the cross of Christ."

"We close by commending you to God, whose presence, if you will but do his holy bidding, will go with you and that to bless. It was so with Moses, when, in the plains of Midian, God spoke to him in the burning bush; it was so with Moses, when he stood before Pharaoh and God honored his work in miraculous ways; it was so when the soul of Moses went up from Pisgah's summit to meet his God; it was so, when Joshua came to take the leadership; so it has ever been if those who profess the name of Christ will, for the love of Him and in His name, do His holy will. His presence goes with them and that to bless. It has been so in the past and so it ever will be in this church, with its record of over 120 years of service, with a noble line of ministers and so many godly men and women in the pews. If all will strive to do their part, a still greater future awaits you."

"My prayer for you and your new leader is that God may richly bless you and by His holy presence make you a mighty power for good in this community."

FUNERAL OF ACCIDENT VICTIM.

That of William Stephens Was Held Saturday Afternoon.

Courtyemen of William Stephens, whose death at the City hospital on Wednesday followed injuries he received in the freight yards north of Granite street in the afternoon, gathered in numbers at the Perry & Noonan mortuary chapel on Depot square Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock to attend the funeral services. Included among those who came together were members of the Glengie club, with which the deceased was long affiliated. There were several fine floral tributes. Rev. Bert J. Lehigh, pastor of the First Baptist church, was the officiating clergyman and the bearers were: John Daniels, John Brown, Samuel Gerrard, John Gaudin, James Mortimer and William McFarlane. A large delegation of friends escorted the remains to Hope cemetery, where the interment was made.

DEATH DUE TO EXPOSURE

Grace Laskey's Body Was Found in Houlton, Me. Cause

POLICE SEARCHED FOR MALE COMPANION

Medical Examiner's Report Did Away with Foul Play Theory.

Houlton, Me., April 10.—The death of Grace Laskey, aged 18, whose body was found in a vacant house yesterday was due to exposure, the medical examiner decided today. An autopsy was performed in view of the suggestion of possible violence. At the same time a search was instituted for a man who was said to have been seen with her at a late hour on Saturday night.

SUICIDE BY HANGING.

Joseph William Seavey, Aged 81, Near Rye, N. H.

Rye, N. H., April 10.—Joseph William Seavey, aged 81, committed suicide yesterday at his home near Langs Corner, by hanging. His wife died last summer and since that time he was subject to despondent spells.

Shortly before noon he left the house and his continued absence alarmed Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Philbrick, who made their home with him. A search was made and his body was found suspended from the hayloft in the barn. Medical Referee A. R. Sherburne was called to view the body. Mr. Seavey was one of the best known farmers of Rye and was a member of Osgood lodge, I. O. O. F., of Portsmouth.

WOMAN HACKED THROAT.

Was Driving to Desperation by Gossip About Herself.

Worcester, Mass., April 10.—Locking herself in the bathroom of her home yesterday, Anna C. Wahlstrom, aged 42, of 70 Russell street, filled the tub with water and then committed suicide by hacking her throat, left hand and wrist and left knee with a potato paring knife. According to Police Surgeon Louis R. Caswell, who was called to the Wahlstrom home, the suicide was one of the most pitiable in Worcester in a long time.

Relatives of the woman are alleged to have told the police that she had been brooding for some time over gossip about herself which she is said to have overheard in her place of employment. She was melancholy early yesterday, and while members were in another part of the house she slipped into the bathroom and put an end to her life.

DISAPPOINTMENT AT QUINCY.

Because Hitch with Polishers Held Up Resumption.

Quincy, Mass., April 10.—The hopes of the general public that the differences between the granite manufacturers and the several branches of workmen had been settled by the manufacturers agreeing before the state board of arbitration for a five-year bill, were dashed to the ground, when it was given out that the committees from the manufacturers and polishers' union, who had been in session during Friday afternoon, had failed to agree and at adjournment were deadlocked.

The general public had been led to believe that everything had been settled with the exception of a few minor matters between the manufacturers and polishers. Apparently, however, things had not been settled.

The two committees, which met Friday afternoon, struck a snag on section 4. This provides that every journeyman is to receive an increase in wages, according to the increase in minimum rate. Under the old bill of prices the minimum wage for the polishers was \$3.25 per day. It was said, however, that fully 40 per cent of the polishers were receiving from 50 to 75 cents per day over and above the minimum wage. The new minimum wage calls for \$4 per day, which has been agreed upon between the manufacturers and polishers.

The trouble arose, however, over the polishers demanding that they should receive the same relative increase in daily wage under the new bill as under the old bill. In brief this meant that if the minimum wage was \$4 fully 40 per cent would be entitled to receive a daily wage of from \$4.50 to \$4.75 per day.

This the manufacturers objected to. They submitted the following clause to cover this point:

"A workman once having accepted pay, his rate will be established and can only be changed by mutual consent between the employer and employee. The rate in no case to be below the established minimum rate."

MONTPELIER RESTAURANT SOLD.

Elmer R. Clark and Elmer E. Pierce Buy Farrar Stand.

The Farrar restaurant at 39 Main street, Montpelier, has been sold by Walter H. Farrar to Elmer R. Clark and Elmer E. Pierce, both of Montpelier, who took possession this morning. The new proprietors are well known in Montpelier. Mr